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REMARKS

This is a fully and timely response to the final Office Action of June 2, 2005. Reconsideration of the application in light of the forgoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

In the present paper, claims 36, 37, 40 and 41 have been amended to become independent claims. Claims 1-22, 30-35, 42-50, 52-54 and 56-58 are cancelled. Claims 47 and 59 were cancelled previously. No claims are added. Therefore, claims 23-29, 36-41, 51, 55 and 60-63 are currently pending for further action.

Allowed Claims:

The final Office Action indicated the allowance of claims 23-29, 36-41, 51, 55 and 60-63. Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the allowance of these claims.

Accordingly, to expedite the allowance of this application, claims 1-22, 30-35, 42-50, 52-54 and 56-58 have been cancelled. Claims 36, 37, 40 and 41 have each been amended and rewritten as an independent claim including all the recitations of former base claim 30. Thus, all claims not held allowable by the Examiner in the final Office Action are cancelled by the present paper.

The cancelled claims are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to file any number of continuation or divisional applications to the cancelled claims or to any other subject matter described in the present application.

Prior Art:

All outstanding prior art rejections are moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1-22, 30-35, 42-50, 52-54 and 56-58 herein. Notice to this effect is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion:

Entry and consideration of this amendment are proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 for at least the following reasons. The present amendment makes only those changes necessary to place the application in condition for allowance as indicated by the Examiner. The amendment does not raise new issues requiring further search or consideration. And, based on the indications of the Examiner, the present amendment clearly places the application in condition for allowance. Therefore, entry of the present amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. § 116 and is hereby requested.

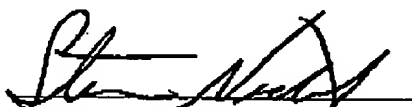
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For the foregoing reasons, the present application is thought to be clearly in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of the application in light of these remarks is courteously solicited. If any fees are owed in connection with this paper which have not been elsewhere authorized, authorization is hereby given to charge those fees to Deposit Account 18-0013 in the name of Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions which could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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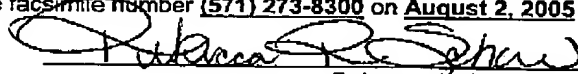

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